

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of: )  
Schleppenbach et al. )  
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Application No.: 10/579,377 )  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's Final Rejection dated June 8, 2009, rejecting claims 1-5 and 7-21.

Because a Notice of Appeal fee of \$270 has already been paid in this application on April 13, 2009, and the Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review subsequently withdrew the rejection and reopened prosecution, Applicants respectfully submit that no second Notice of Appeal fee is due. However, if the previous payment of \$270 is insufficient to cover any currently required fee, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1438, Taft Stettinius & Hollister.

Respectfully Submitted,

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